

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please cancel the originally-filed Abstract of the Disclosure, and add the accompanying new Abstract of the Disclosure which appears on a separate sheet in the Appendix.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The top 3 is generally made rectangular. There is a cutting bridge 4 aligned parallel to the shorter side of the top 3 which is used as a support. The cutting bridge 4 can be moved along the longer ~~side~~ sides 5 of the support top 2. The cutting bridge 4 bears a cutting head 6 which can be moved along the cutting bridge 4 by a drive which is not detailed, generally a toothed belt drive for executing the actual cutting work. The cutting head 6 can be made as desired and usually bears a cutting wheel which can be turned in the cutting head 6 around an axis perpendicular to the support top 2, and can be raised and lowered normally to the top 3, and to which a cutting liquid can be supplied. The cutting head 6 can also be made for simultaneous stripping and cutting (scratching) of the glass plates (compare EP 0 517 176 A). The power supply chain 6' to the cutting head 6 is shown only partially in Figures 1 and 2.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--In order to move the cutting bridge 4 along the top 3 of the glass cutting table 1, on the two lengthwise sides of the base frame 2, at a distance from and underneath the guide rods 12 for the cutting bridge 4, there are conveyor elements in the form of toothed belts 15. The toothed belts 15 run around freely rotating deflection rolls 16 and around gears 17 which are rotationally driven. For rotary driving of the gears 17 (in Figure 1 the two gears located on the left) there is a common geared motor 20 which drives a shaft 21 which for its part drives the gears 17 without the interposition of other transmission means. Thus a drive (for the most part) free of play for moving the cutting bridge 4 along the support top 3 of the table 1 when executing the "cutting" (scratching) of a glass plate is possible.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Due to the arrangement of the guide and drive unit 10 of the glass cutting table 1 as claimed in the invention at a distance below the support top 3 and relative to the top 3 thereof offset to the inside, there is no danger than the drive and/or guide units 10 for the cutting bridge 4 will be adversely affected or damaged by glass shards or the like.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The execution of the glass cutting table 1 as claimed in the invention, especially the embodiment which is shown in the drawings, has the advantage that the support top 3 is easily accessible, since the guides/drives 10 for the cutting bridge 4 are not next to it, since they are arranged or mounted relative to the outside contour of the top 3 offset to the inside on the ~~machine~~ base frame 2, therefore underneath the support ~~plate~~ 2 top 3 and independently of it.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- In the device as claimed in the invention, in one preferred embodiment the guide of the cutting bridge 4 (especially the guide rods 12) and/or the drive of the cutting bridge (especially the continuous conveyor elements 12) is mounted independently of a folding support 3 of the glass cutting table, for example mounted/supported on the ~~machine~~ base frame 2. In particular, the entire guide and drive unit 10 is mounted for example on the base frame 2 independently of the support top 3.--